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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary c/o Natek, Inc., Inc. 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E. Suite 110 Washington, DC 20002

Re: RM-11311

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Enclosed please find an original and four copies of both a Motion to Accept Late-Filed Reply of Icom America, Inc. and the Reply of Icom America, Inc. Also enclosed please find a duplicate original copy. Please date-stamp the duplicate original and return it to the courier.

Please direct any questions concerning this filing to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

Bruce A. Henoch

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Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION RECEIVED Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of)	Communications Commission Office of Secretary
Amendment of Parts 22 and 90 of the Commission's Rules to Reallocate Certain 150 MHz Public Mobile Radio Service Frequencies to the Public Safety Radio Services))))	RM - 11311

To: The Commission

MOTION TO ACCEPT LATE-FILED REPLY

Icom America, Inc. ("Icom"), through counsel, hereby respectfully files this

Motion to Accept Icom's Late-Filed Reply in the above-referenced proceeding. Icom
had timely prepared its Reply to be filed on March 13, 2006, but due to an administrative
error the Reply was not able to be filed until today, March 15, 2006. We note that the
parties listed on the Certificate of Service attached to the Reply were timely served on
March 13, 2006, and Icom therefore submits that no party will be prejudiced by the
acceptance by the Commission of this late filing.

Icom is the party that initially filed the Petition that is the subject of this proceeding, and Icom therefore believes that its Reply is particularly relevant to this proceeding and that the Commission will not have a complete record upon which to base its decision without considering Icom's Reply.

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For these reasons, Icom submits that acceptance of Icom's late-filed Reply would be in the public interest.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: March 15, 2006



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To: The Commission

REPLY

Icom America, Inc. ("Icom"), through counsel and pursuant to Section 1.405(b) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.401, hereby respectfully submits its response to the Comments submitted by various parties in the above-captioned proceeding.

Icom is sensitive to the concerns of some paging entities that do not wish to see diminished opportunities for paging operations. However, Icom wishes to emphasize that its Petition was intended only to reallocate that spectrum which was presently unused, as well as give existing operators an opportunity, but not the obligation, to work with public safety licensees to further expand public safety systems.

Icom recognizes that the Commission has over the past few years made significant allocations of spectrum to meet public safety communications needs. However, such spectrum, including allocations in the 700 MHz, 800 MHz, and 4.9 GHz bands, is not compatible with existing operations in the VHF band. Rather, existing allocations in the band are unable to expand, because existing VHF public safety spectrum is already heavily loaded. This situation is

made worse by the lack of spectrum frequency pairs in the Part 90 VHF band, unlike the Part 22 channels.

VHF spectrum is particularly well suited for state-wide applications. Thus, the State of South Dakota requested and received a waiver to utilize Part 22 VHF channels to build out a state-wide public safety system. However, the continued use of waivers pursuant to Section 337(c) is contrary to the public interest, as the significant delays necessitated by the requests delays the ability of public safety agencies to add capacity to their systems. Further, unfortunately the Commission's change in terminology in Section 22.7 of its rules to substitute the word "licensee" for the words "common carrier" does not create eligibility for public safety licensees for Part 22 frequencies.

Icom is also sensitive to the concerns expressed that the lack of bids on VHF Part 22 channels which the Commission attempted to sell in Auctions 40 and 48 was not the result of lack of interest, but rather a reflection that the channels were heavily encumbered by existing licensees.

Prior to the submission of its Petition, Icom reviewed the Commission's database for incumbency on the unsold channel blocks. Attached hereto is a list of channel blocks which at that time were unsold and did not have any incumbent licensees located within the EA borders. This list assumes that all paging licensees on the frequencies at that time were operational, and thus represents the bare minimum number of channel blocks that are truly vacant. From this, it is readily apparent that sufficient paired spectrum exists which could be extremely beneficial to public safety licensees.

Since that time, the Commission has conducted an audit of paging licensees. This audit resulted in the cancellation of many paging licenses.¹ Thus, the number of channel blocks that are truly vacant is even larger.

Icom does not propose to limit the existing rights of licensees on these channels. Icom does not propose to limit the ability of paging licensees to provide service, or force such licensees to relinquish their authorizations. Rather, it is Icom's intention to have the Commission make available on a regular licensing basis for public safety licensees spectrum which could not be sold at auction for as little as \$350 per EA channel block.

The Commission has a unique opportunity to alleviate some of the spectrum congestion experienced by public safety licensees in the spectrum band which is utilized by over 70% of public safety entities, with channels that the Commission has been unable to virtually give away to non-public safety entities. Reallocation of the spectrum can not only help alleviate congestion, but may also permit re-banding to create channel pairs on existing 150 MHz public safety spectrum by utilizing the new spectrum's "green space".

¹ http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-05-491A1.pdf.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, it is respectfully requested that the Commission amend Sections 22.531, 22.561 and 90.20 of its Rules to reallocate certain 150 MHz Public Mobile Radio Service frequencies to the Public Safety Radio Services.²

Respectfully submitted,

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Date: March 13, 2006

² The Comments of the "Concerned Part 22 Carriers" states that Icom failed to provide exact language for its proposed rule change, and therefore the Petition should be dismissed as procedurally defective. However, Section 1.401(c) of the Commission's Rules states that the Petition shall provide the "test or substance" of the proposed rule. Icom believes that it has provided more than adequate "substance" to ensure compliance with this rule. *Dale E. Reich*, 19 FCC Rcd 23216 (WTB 2004).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Regan Burn, hereby certify that I am employed in the law offices of Shulman Rogers Gandal Pordy & Ecker, P.A. and that I have on this 13th day of March, 2006, sent a copy of the foregoing Reply by United States first class mail, postage prepaid, to the following:

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